

Target: northstar-finance.demo

Normalized URL: https://northstar-finance.demo

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Origin: Seeded showcase

Executive summary

Northstar Finance presents a mature external security baseline with HTTPS, redirect enforcement, and most critical hardening controls in place. The largest gap is the absence of a content security policy, which leaves browser-side protections weaker than the rest of the stack.

Top findings

MEDIUM - Content Security Policy is missing

The site does not publish a Content-Security-Policy header, so browsers have fewer constraints on where scripts, frames, and other resources can load from.

Remediation: Add a baseline Content-Security-Policy and tighten it over time, starting with default-src 'self' and explicit script/frame allowlists.

INFO - Cookie posture is strong

Visible cookies include Secure, HttpOnly, and SameSite flags, which reduces exposure to common session handling mistakes.

Remediation: Keep these flags enforced across new session and preference cookies.

Technical narrative

Transport security is well configured: HTTPS is reachable, HTTP redirects to HTTPS, and TLS validity looks healthy. The site would benefit most from client-side browser hardening via a Content-Security-Policy, while its current header and cookie posture already covers several common baselines.

Remediation plan

Immediate - Introduce a baseline CSP

Start with a conservative policy, test in report-only mode if needed, then enforce once third-party resources are explicitly allowlisted.

Next sprint - Tune CSP for third-party tools

Audit analytics, payment, and support widgets so the policy stays specific and maintainable.

Signal breakdown

HTTPS reachable: Yes

HTTP redirects to HTTPS: Yes

HTTPS status: 200

HTTP status: 301

TLS expiration: Nov 14, 2026, 12:00 PM

SPF: Present

DMARC: Present

Plain-English notes

HTTPS

HTTPS encrypts the connection between a visitor and your site so traffic cannot be read or altered in transit as easily.

Content Security Policy

A content security policy tells the browser which scripts, frames, and external resources are allowed to run on the page.